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**Subject:** RE: Meconium Letter to the Editor

Nikia and Charlie,

I concur with the letter. Thanks for putting this together and continuing to ensure accurate information is provided to the community.

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Best regards,

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**From:** Wardell, Christopher <[Wardell.Christopher@epa.gov](mailto:Wardell.Christopher@epa.gov)>  
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Yes I would run through them, if for nothing else they are aware that this is going out and to let them know it's running in a Medical journal not a response to the Standard.

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On Apr 8, 2020, at 8:25 AM, Smidinger, Betsy <[Smidinger.Betsy@epa.gov](mailto:Smidinger.Betsy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Andrew and Chris...Do Greg and Deb need to review this letter before it goes out? If so, please let us know so Charlie can get you the final version. Thanks

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**Subject:** RE: Meconium Letter to the Editor

Hi Dan – Thanks for sharing. The Letter reads very well...I had a few very minor edits.

Thanks  
Betsy

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**Subject:** Meconium Letter to the Editor

Hi All,  
You remember the meconium issue right? We had discussed putting together a letter to the editor requesting they review their decision to publish the McDermott et al. article. Nikia, Charlie and Lynn

Woodbury (CDM) have written the attached letter for your review (and Greg/Deb if appropriate). I know folks are busy now but we'd like to get a review by 4/15 if possible.  
Thanks.

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**Subject:** letter

Dan,

I have combine our comments into this final version. I believe this version is ready to send up the chain for review. I know everybody is super busy, but if there is anyway you can ask for a quick turnaround, that would be great.

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